

# Department of Corrections

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# The Department of Corrections is responsible for:

- Incarceration of about 18,000 adult felons with sentences longer than one year.
- Community supervision of about 18,700 felons and misdemeanants convicted in superior court.

# Local governments are responsible for:

- Incarceration of adults with sentences of one year or less.
- Supervision of all offenders convicted in district or municipal court.

### Felony Sentencing Basics

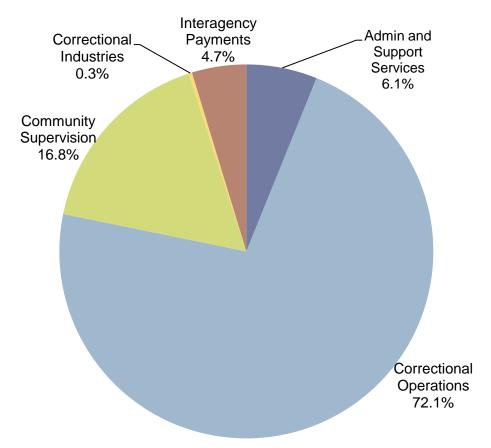
- The Sentencing Reform Act (SRA) passed in 1981 and took effect in 1984. The SRA replaced an indeterminate system with a determinate sentencing model.
- Offenders are sentenced based upon the "seriousness level" of their crimes and prior convictions.
- Judges may depart from the standard sentencing range through the imposition of an exceptional sentence if aggravating factors or mitigating circumstances are present.
- The SRA also enables judges to depart from the standard range under certain sentencing alternatives. These options include:
  - Special Sex Offender Sentencing Alternative (SSOSA)
  - Drug Offender Sentencing Alternative (DOSA)
  - First-Time Offender Waiver (FTOW)
  - Family and Offender Sentencing Alternative (FOSA)

### Felony Sentencing Basics

#### **Determinate Plus Sentencing**

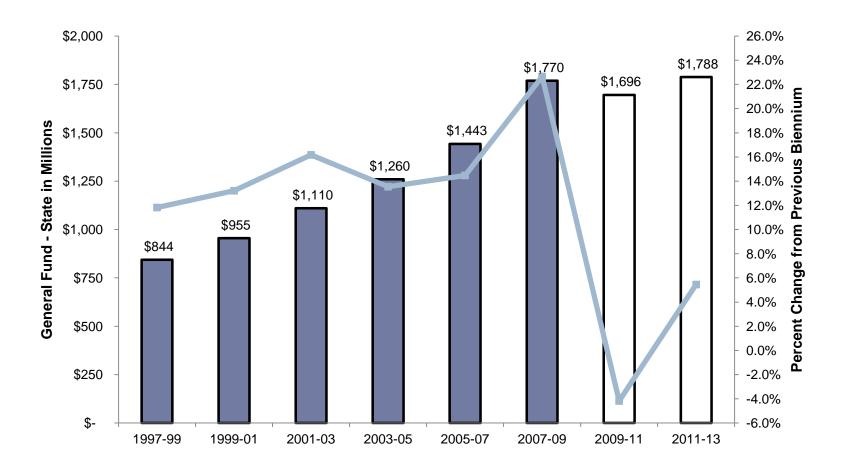
- For offenders committing specified sex or sexually motivated crimes on/after September 1, 2001, the judge sets the minimum term within the sentencing range, and the maximum sentence is the statutory maximum for the class of felony.
  - Class A = Life; Class B = 10 years; Class C = 5 years
- After expiration of the minimum term, the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (ISRB) evaluates the offender. The ISRB retains releasing discretion between the minimum and maximum ends of the sentence.

# A majority of the Department's spending is for the operation of prisons.



2009-11 Budgeted Allotments (Dollars in Thousands)	FTEs	GF-State
Administration and Support Services	669.3	103,903
Correctional Operations	6,489.1	1,222,147
Community Supervision	1,316.2	284,569
Correctional Industries	7.0	5,216
Interagency Payments	_	79,723
Total	8,481.6	\$1,695,558

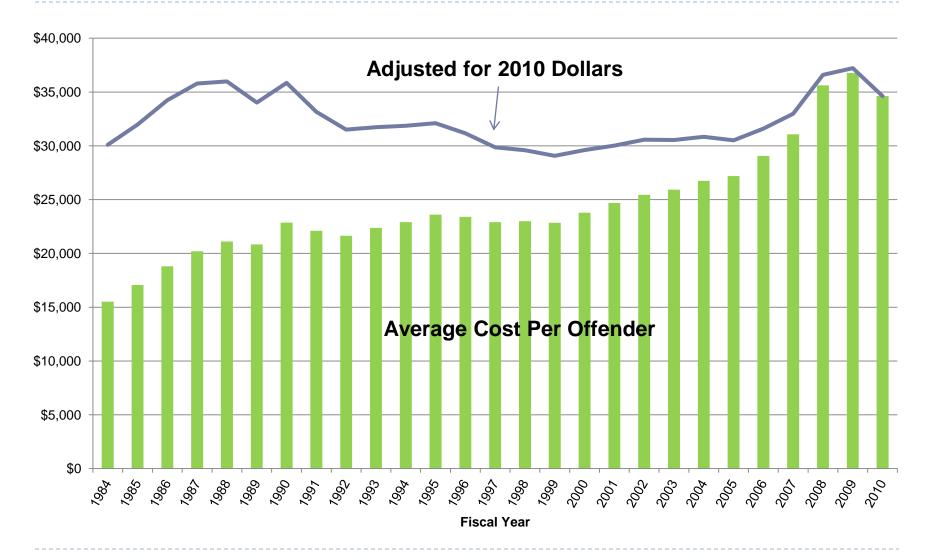
The Department's spending is proposed to decrease by 4.2 percent in 2009-11 from the previous biennium. The Governor's maintenance-level budget assumes nearly 6 percent growth in 2011-13.



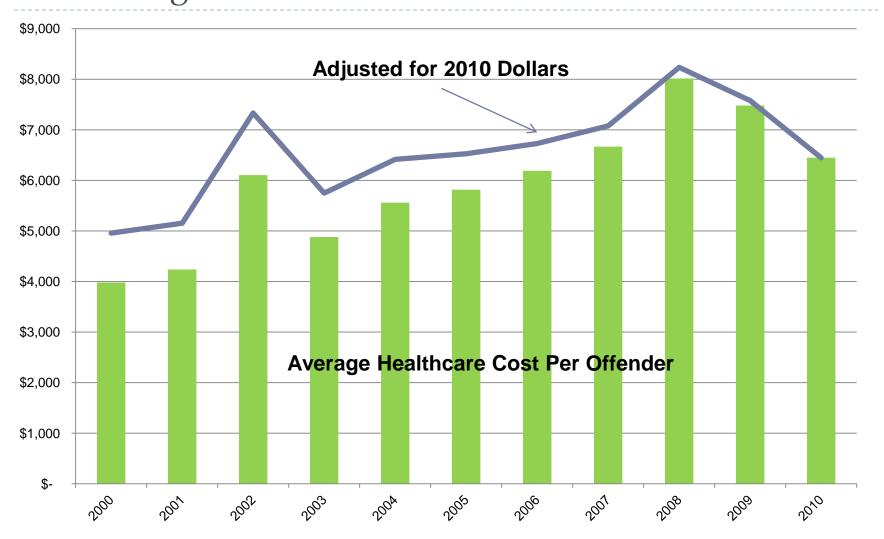
<sup>\* 2009-11</sup> includes Governor Gregoire's proposed 2011 supplemental budget.

<sup>\*\* 2011-13</sup> reflects Governor Gregoire's proposed maintenance level budget.

The average cost per offender had been increasing steadily between 2006 and 2009, but declined in 2010.



# The average healthcare cost per offender has been decreasing since 2008.



### Who Is In Prison?

Gender*	
Male	92.8%
Female	7.2%
Length of Sentence**	
Less Than Two Years	22.0%
Two to Five Years	22.7%
Five to Ten Years	18.9%
Over Ten Years	33.4%
Life without Release	3.0%
Average Length of Stay of	
Releasing Offenders**	20.9 months

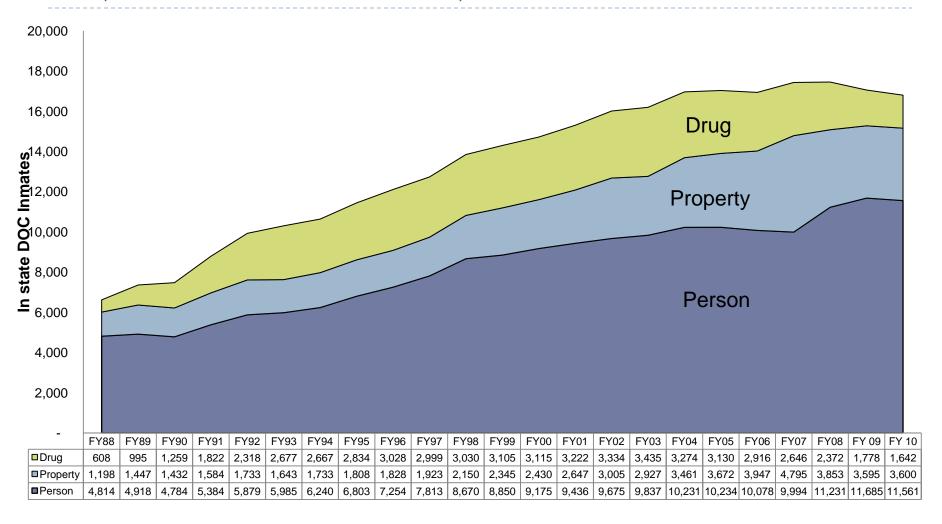
<sup>\*</sup>as of December 31, 2010

Commitment Type*	
New Admission	49.3%
Readmission	41.4%
Out-of-State and Violators	9.3%
Types of Offenses*	
Murder 1 & 2	13.1%
Manslaughter	2.0%
Sex Crimes	21.5%
Robbery	10.8%
Assault	22.9%
Property Crimes	17.3%
Drug Crimes Other	9.5% 2.9%

<sup>\*\*</sup> as of June 30, 2008

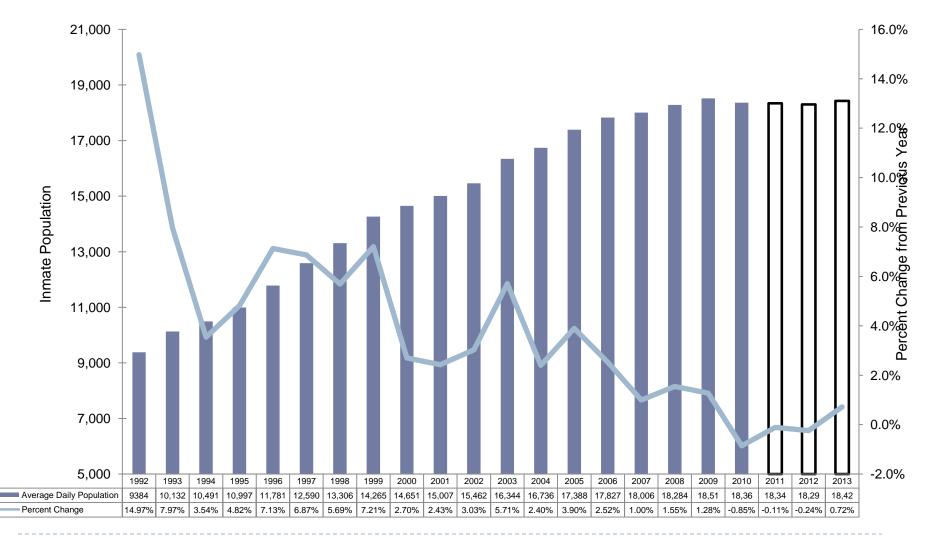
### Growth and Change in the Prison Population

(End of Fiscal Year 1988 – 2010)



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The rate of growth for the Department's inmate population is projected to remain relatively flat in the upcoming biennium.

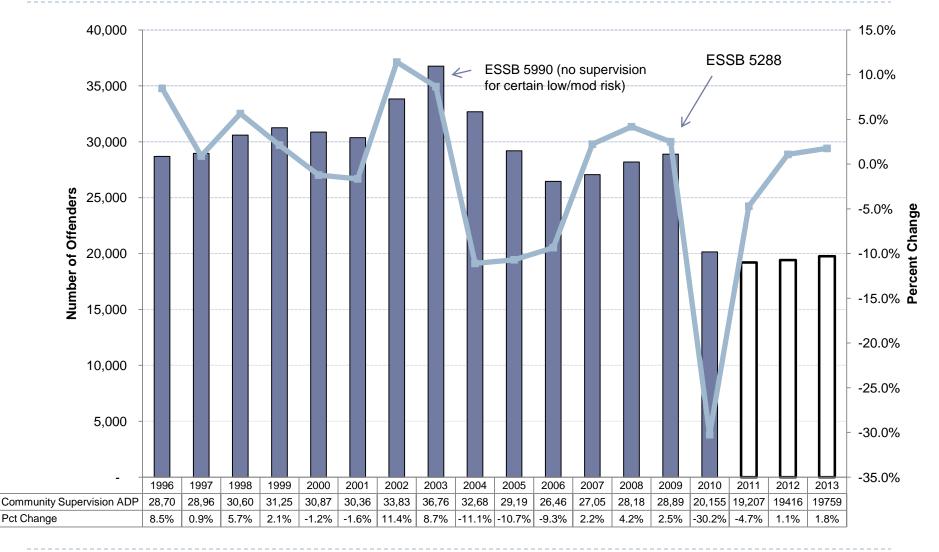


### Who Is On Community Custody?

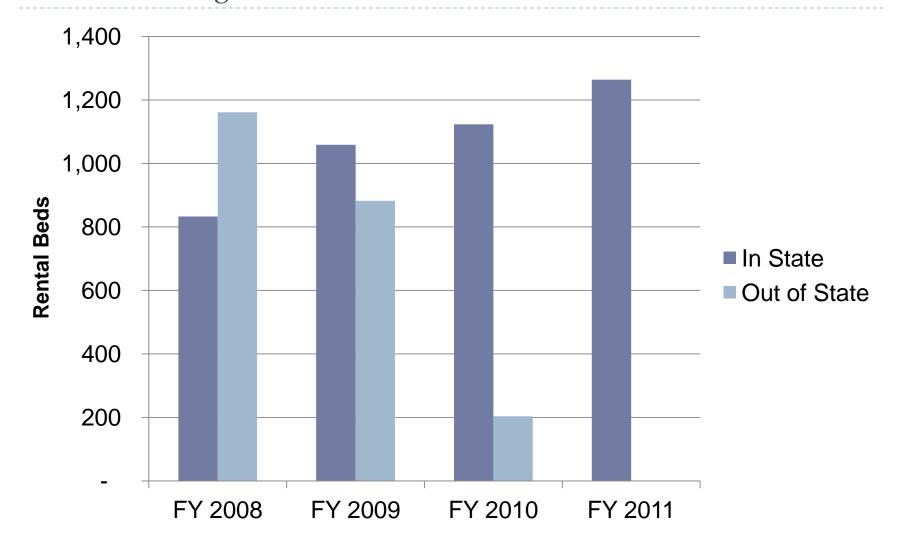
Number of Offenders on Active Supervision	18,690
Offender Location Prior to Supervision	to
Prison	36%
Jail, Courts, Out-of-State	64%

Risk Level Classification					
High Violent	35.0%	6,555			
High Non-Violent	29.2%	5,457			
Moderate	18.6%	3,457			
Low	16.1%	3,004			
Unclassified	1.1%	199			

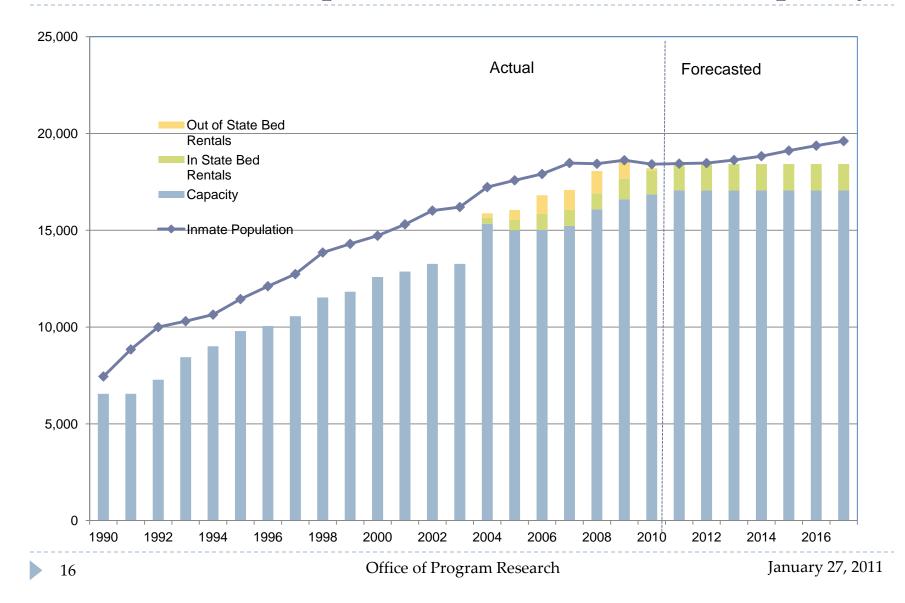
In 2010 the number of offenders on community custody dropped by nearly one-third. The population is projected to decrease slightly in 2011 and then slowly increase through 2013.



Currently, there are no Washington offenders housed in out-of-state facilities. The number of in-state rental beds has been increasing.



### Prison Inmate Population and Prison Bed Capacity



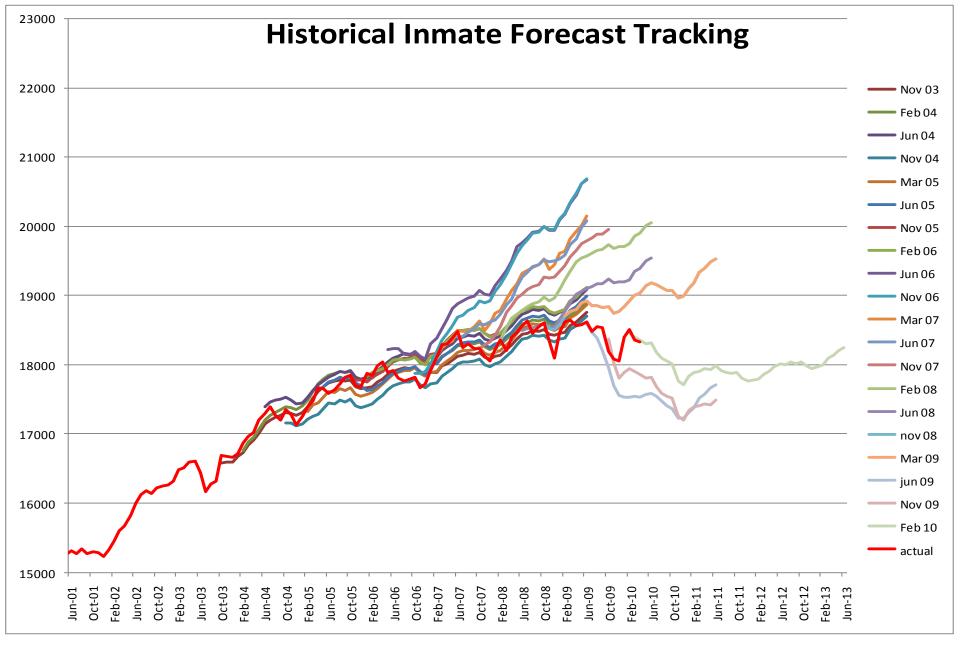
# Policy Level Changes to the Budget for DOC During the 2009-11 Biennium

Department of Corrections
2009-11 Biennium Net Policy Level Changes
GF-S and Federal Stimulus (ARRA)
(Dollars in Millions)

2009-11 ML	2009-11 Enacted		2010 Supp	HB 3225	Gov 2011 Supp	Total	Percent Change
\$1,904.4	-\$141.3	-\$6.8	-\$48.6	-\$48.4	-\$3.3	-\$248.4	-13.1%

There were a number of major policy changes related to the Department's budget in the 2009-11 Biennium.

Selected Major Policy Changes Enacted by the Legislature in the 2009-11 Biennium (dollars in thousands)	FTEs	GF-S
Release Elderly/III Offenders	-5.8	-\$1,948
Home Detention for Violators	11.0	-\$11,129
Housing Vouchers	-42.8	-\$4,090
Crimes Against Property	-25.0	-\$-4,360
Increase DOSA Beds	-38.1	-\$-3,434
Supervision of Offenders	-265.0	-\$47,838
Facility Closures	-168.4	-\$61,582
Offender Programming	-10.2	-\$15,021



# Major Features of the Governor's Proposed 2011-13 Budget

### **Department of Corrections 2011-13 Proposed Budget** (Dollars in Thousands)

Selected Policy Items	FTEs	GF-S
Early Action Savings (HB 3225) Carried into 2011-13	-158.8	-\$58,001
McNeil Island Closure / Larch Unit Opening	-22.2	-\$18,303
Early Deportation	-34.3	\$-2,515
Eliminate Tolling for Offenders	-47.4	\$-6,006
Merge Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (net of merger savings)	12.5	\$2,711
Merge Data Functions of the Sentencing Guidelines Commission (net of merger savings)	3.5	\$638

### **APPENDIX**

### Department of Corrections Institutions

#### Major Institutions:

- Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla
- Washington Corrections Center for Women, Gig Harbor
- Washington Corrections Center, Shelton
- Stafford Creek Corrections Center, Aberdeen
- Monroe Correctional Complex, Monroe
- McNeil Island Corrections Center, Steilacoom (Closed as of 4/1/2011)
- Clallam Bay Corrections Center, Clallam Bay
- Airway Heights Corrections Center, Airway Heights
- Coyote Ridge Corrections Center, Connell

#### Minimum Institutions:

- Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women, Belfair
- Olympic Corrections Center, Forks
- Larch Corrections Center, Yacolt
- Cedar Creek Corrections Center, Littlerock

### SRA Adult Felony Sentencing Grid

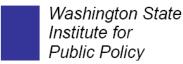
#### TABLE 1 SENTENCING GRID FOR CRIMES COMMITTED AFTER JULY 24, 1999

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#### **OFFENDER SCORE**

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9 or more
XVI	Life Sen	tence withou	t Parole/Deat	h Penalty						
xv	23y 4m	24y 4m	25y 4m	26y 4m	27y 4m	28y 4m	30y 4m	32y 10m	36y	40y
	240 - 320	250 - 333	261 - 347	271 - 361	281 - 374	291 - 388	312 - 416	338 - 450	370 - 493	411 - 548
XIV	14y 4m	15y 4m	16y 2m	17y	17y 11m	18y 9m	20y 5m	22y 2m	25y 7m	29y
	123 - 220	134 - 234	144 - 244	154 - 254	165 - 265	175 - 275	195 - 295	216 - 316	257 - 357	298 - 397
XIII	14y 4m	15y 4m	16y 2m	17y	17y 11m	18y 9m	20y 5m	22y 2m	25y 7m	29y
	123 - 164	134 - 178	144 - 192	154 - 205	165 - 219	175 - 233	195 - 260	216 - 288	257 - 342	298 - 397
XII	9y	9y 11m	10y 9m	11y 8m	12y 6m	13y 5m	15y 9m	17y 3m	20y 3m	23y 3m
	93 - 123	102 - 136	111 - 147	120 - 160	129 - 171	138 - 184	162 - 216	178 - 236	209 - 277	240 - 318
ΧI	7y 6m	8y 4m	9y 2m	9y 11m	10y 9m	11y 7m	14y 2m	15y 5m	17y 11m	20y 5m
	78 - 102	86 - 114	95 - 125	102 - 136	111 - 147	120 - 158	146 - 194	159 - 211	185 - 245	210 - 280
x	5y	5y 6m	6y	6y 6m	7y	7y 6m	9y 6m	10y 6m	12y 6m	14y 6m
	51 - 68	57 - 75	62 - 82	67 - 89	72 - 96	77 - 102	98 - 130	108 - 144	129 - 171	149 - 198
IX	3y	3y 6m	4y	4y 6m	5y	5y 6m	7y 6m	8y 6m	10y 6m	12y 6m
	31 - 41	36 - 48	41 - 54	46 - 61	51 - 68	57 - 75	77 - 102	87 - 116	108 - 144	129 - 171
VIII	2y	2y 6m	3y	3y 6m	4y	4y 6m	6y 6m	7y 6m	8y 6m	10y 6m
	21 - 27	26 - 34	31 - 41	36 - 48	41 - 54	46 - 61	67 - 89	77 - 102	87 - 116	108 - 144
VII	18m	2y	2y 6m	3y	3y 6m	4y	5y 6m	6y 6m	7y 6m	8y 6m
	15 - 20	21 - 27	26 - 34	31 - 41	36 - 48	41 - 54	57 - 75	67 - 89	77 - 102	87 - 116
VI	13m	18m	2y	2y 6m	3y	3y 6m	4y 6m	5y 6m	6y 6m	7y 6m
	12+ - 14	15 - 20	21 - 27	26 - 34	31 - 41	36 - 48	46 - 61	57 - 75	67 - 89	77 - 102
V	9m	13m	15m	18m	2y 2m	3y 2m	4y	5y	6y	7y
	6 - 12	12+ - 14	13 - 17	15 - 20	22 - 29	33 - 43	41 - 54	51 - 68	62 - 82	72 - 96
IV	6m	9m	13m	15m	18m	2y 2m	3y 2m	4y 2m	5y 2m	6y 2m
	3 - 9	6 - 12	12+ - 14	13 - 17	15 - 20	22 - 29	33 - 43	43 - 57	53 - 70	63 - 84
III	2m	5m	8m	11m	14m	20m	2y 2m	3y 2m	4y 2m	5y
	1 - 3	3 - 8	4 - 12	9 - 12	12+ - 16	17 - 22	22 - 29	33 - 43	43 - 57	51 - 68
п	0 - 90	4m	6m	8m	13m	16m	20m	2y 2m	3y 2m	4y 2m
	Days	2 - 6	3 - 9	4 - 12	12+ - 14	14 - 18	17 - 22	22 - 29	33 - 43	43 - 57
ı	0 - 60	0 - 90	3m	4m	5m	8m	13m	16m	20m	2y 2m
	Days	Days	2 - 5	2 - 6	3 - 8	4 - 12	12+ - 14	14 - 18	17 - 22	22 - 29

The 2005 Legislature directed WSIPP to report on evidenced-based options to reduce future prison bed impacts, save state and taxpayer money, and reduce crime rates.

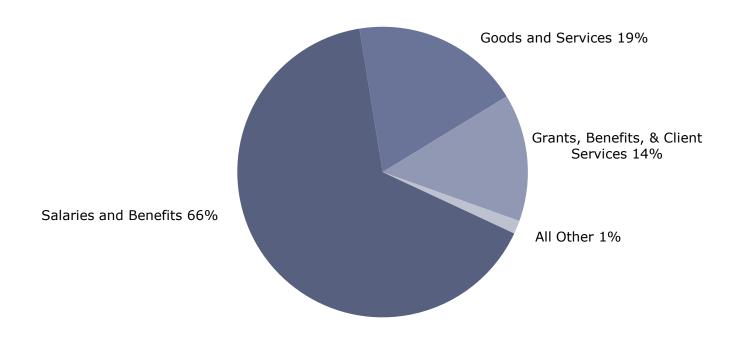


#### Reducing Crime With Evidence-Based Options: What Works, and Benefits & Costs

Washington State Institute for Public Policy Estimates as of October, 2006	Effect on Crime Outcomes	Benefits and Costs (Per Participant, Net Present Value, 2006 Dollars)			
Notes: "n/e" means not estimated at this time. Prevention program costs are partial program costs, pro-rated to match crime outcomes.	Percent change in crime outcomes, & the number of evidence-based studies on	Benefits to Crime Victims (of the reduction in crime)	Benefits to Taxpayers (of the reduction in crime)	Costs (marginal program cost, compared to the cost of alternative)	Benefits (total) Minus Costs (per participant)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Programs for People in the Adult Offender System  Vocational education in prison Intensive supervision: treatment-oriented programs General education in prison (basic education or post-secondary) Cognitive-behavioral therapy in prison or community Drug treatment in community Correctional industries in prison Drug treatment in prison (therapeutic communities or outpatient) Adult drug courts Employment and job training in the community	-9.0% (4) -16.7% (11) -7.0% (17) -6.3% (25) -9.3% (6) -5.9% (4) -5.7% (20) -8.0% (57) -4.3% (16)	\$8,114 \$9,318 \$6,325 \$5,658 \$5,133 \$5,360 \$5,133 \$4,395 \$2,373	\$6,806 \$9,369 \$5,306 \$4,746 \$5,495 \$4,496 \$4,306 \$4,705 \$2,386	\$1,182 \$7,124 \$962 \$105 \$574 \$417 \$1,604 \$4,333 \$400	\$13,738 \$11,563 \$10,669 \$10,299 \$10,054 \$9,439 \$7,835 \$4,767 \$4,359
Electronic monitoring to offset jail time Sex offender treatment in prison with aftercare Intensive supervision: surveillance-oriented programs Washington's Dangerously Mentally III Offender program Drug treatment in jail Adult boot camps Domestic violence education/cognitive-behavioral treatment Jail diversion for mentally ill offenders	0% (9) -7.0% (6) 0% (23) -20.0% (1) -4.5% (9) 0% (22) 0% (9) 0% (11)	\$0 \$6,442 \$0 \$18,020 \$2,481 \$0 \$0	\$0 \$2,885 \$0 \$15,116 \$2,656 \$0 \$0	-\$870 \$12,585 \$3,747 n/e n/e n/e n/e	\$870 -\$3,258 -\$3,747 n/e n/e n/e n/e

Source: 2006 October Published Report #06-10-1201 by the Washington State Institute for Public Policy

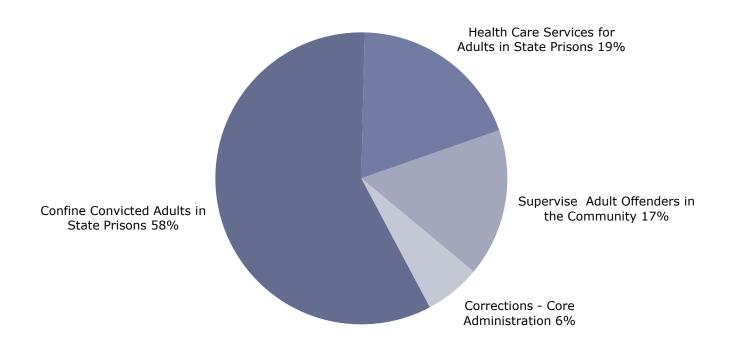
### Department of Corrections Fiscal Year 2010 Expenditures by Object



Objects of Expenditures	(\$ 000)
Salaries and Benefits	573,955
Goods and Services	165,014
Grants, Benefits, & Client Services	124,302
All Other	12,923
Total	876,194

## Department of Corrections Fiscal Year 2011 Activities

Near General Fund-State & Opportunity Pathways Account

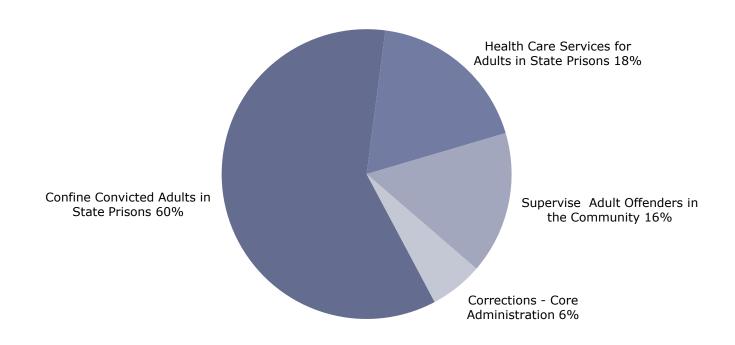


Activities	(\$ 000)			
Confine Convicted Adults in State Prisons	487,520			
Health Care Services for Adults in State Prisons	161,801			
Supervise Adult Offenders in the Community	137,374			
Corrections - Core Administration	51,955			
Total	838,650			

Note: Excludes HB 3225.

# Department of Corrections Fiscal Year 2011 Activities

Total Budgeted Funds



Activities	(\$ 000)
Confine Convicted Adults in State Prisons	527,141
Health Care Services for Adults in State Prisons	161,801
Supervise Adult Offenders in the Community	139,961
Corrections - Core Administration	51,955
Total	880,858

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# Department of Corrections Funding History

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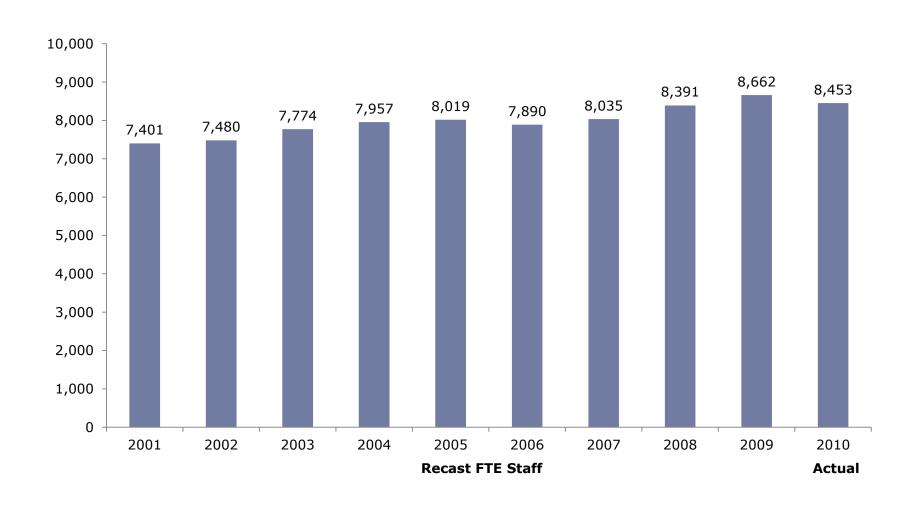
	Recast Actual Expenditures							Actuals Budgeted		
	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Near General Fund-State*	545,483	586,378	621,075	660,875	707,178	760,915	865,182	904,348	869,641	790,226
State Efficiency & R-State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34,522
WA Auto Theft Prev-State	0	0	0	0	0	0	527	980	2,980	2,956
Cost of Supervision-Non-Appropriated	1,500	1,931	2,139	2,183	1,914	1,190	2,520	1,196	1,129	2,516
General Fund-Federal	4,825	5,728	2,045	2,462	2,373	1,723	2,257	2,004	2,143	2,143
Federal Seizure Acct-Non-Appropriated	0	0	0	0	0	4	84	173	233	71
General Fund-Federal Unanticipated	24	316	713	719	0	904	0	0	50	0
State Seizure Acct-Non-Appropriated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0
General Fund-Federal ARRA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial Insurance-Non-Appropriated	0	135	223	465	180	202	498	-3	0	0
Public Health-State	1,453	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Agency Parking-Non-Appropriated	8	5	49	51	23	34	0	12	0	0
Savings Incentive Ac-Non-Appropriated	67	-67	0	1,591	0	0	0	715	0	0
Digital Government-State	70	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sp Ret Contrib Acct-State	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	553,430	594,576	626,245	668,344	711,668	764,972	871,067	909,425	876,194	832,434

<sup>\*</sup> State general fund, Education Legacy Trust and Opportunity Pathways Account.
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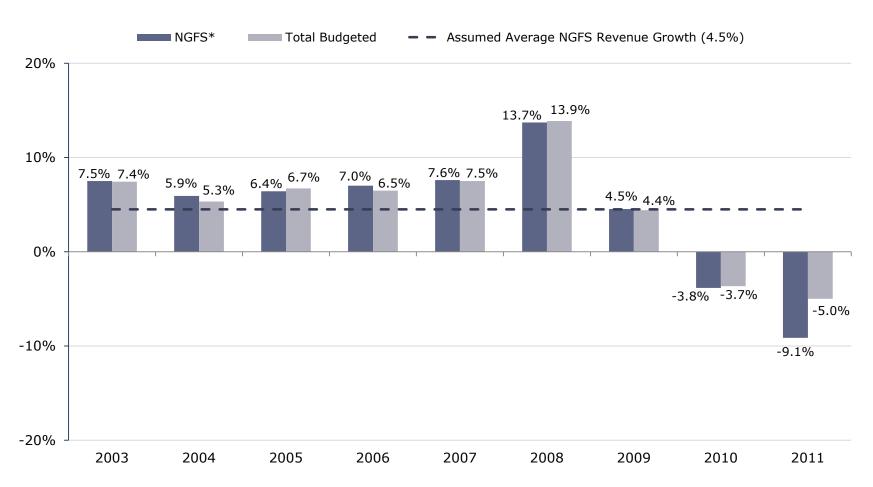
# Department of Corrections FTE History

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# Department of Corrections Caseloads and Related Information

									Estimated	
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Community Supervision (1) (2)										
# Active (Non-Monetary) Offenders	33,831	36,765	32,685	29,190	26,466	27,057	28,212	28,894	19,773	19,840
% Change from prior year	·	8.7%	-11.1%	-10.7%	-9.3%	2.2%	4.3%	2.4%	-31.6%	0.3%
Work Release										
Avg Daily Population/Month	654	642	675	657	684	663	674	674	674	674
% Change from prior year		-1.8%	5.1%	-2.7%	4.1%	-3.1%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Institutions (3)										
Avg Daily Population/Month	14,808	15,702	16,061	16,732	17,144	17,747	17,714	17,844	17,582	17,179
% Change from prior year		6.0%	2.3%	4.2%	2.5%	3.5%	-0.2%	0.7%	-1.5%	-2.3%
Average Cost Per Inmate (4) (5)										
Annual	25,447	25,924	26,736	27,193	29,055	31,071	35,611	36,756	34,787	34,239
% Change from prior year		1.9%	3.1%	1.7%	6.8%	6.9%	14.6%	3.2%	-5.4%	-1.6%

<sup>(1)</sup> Data reflect average monthly caseloads. These data are not comparable with caseloads published in prior editions of the Legislative Budget Notes, which measured end-of-year caseloads.

#### Data Sources:

Caseload Forecast Council, Department of Corrections, and Legislative Fiscal Staff.



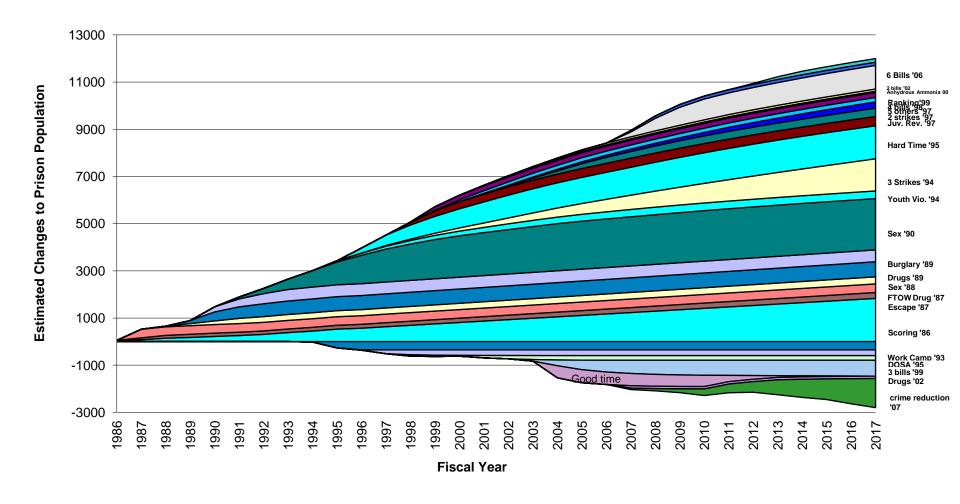
<sup>(2)</sup> Accounting issues at the Department of Corrections may have overcounted active caseloads.

<sup>(3)</sup> For FY 2004 through FY 2009, institutional counts include beds rented from other jurisdictions.

<sup>(4)</sup> The FY 2005 average cost per inmate does not include funds paid toward the <u>Stamey</u> and <u>Arrasmith</u> lawsuit settlements.

<sup>(5)</sup> FY 2005 through FY 2009 average cost per inmate does not include start-up costs for expansion at the Monroe Corrections Center, the Washington State Penitentiary, the Coyote Ridge Correctional Center, the Cedar Creek Correctional Center, the Larch Correctional Center, or the Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women

### Cumulative Estimated Effects of Criminal Justice Legislation in Washington State 1986 - 2008 Sessions



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